



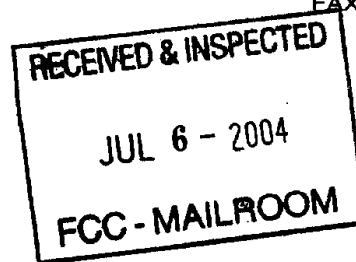
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June 30, 2004

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20544



Re: In the Matter of The Pay Telephone Reclassification and
Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC
Docket 96-128

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Oneida County Rural Telephone ("OCRT") submits this letter and accompanying certification as record that OCRT is not a "Completing Carrier" as that term is defined in the Commission's Order in CC Docket 96-128 ("Order")¹, released on October 3, 2003, respecting the obligations of Completing Carriers to provide certain compensation and reporting to payphone service providers (PSPs), replacing the Commission's interim compensation rules effective July 1, 2004.

As OCRT is not a Completing Carrier nor does it handle the types of calls the Commission has specified as being subject to both compensation and reporting to PSPs, OCRT is not subject to such requirements at this time. If OCRT's operations are altered to the extent that OCRT necessarily becomes a Completing Carrier, OCRT intends to fully comply with the Commission's rules pertaining to this and all other payphone compensation and reporting matters.

Sincerely,

Jeremiah O. McCarthy
President
Oneida County Rural Telephone

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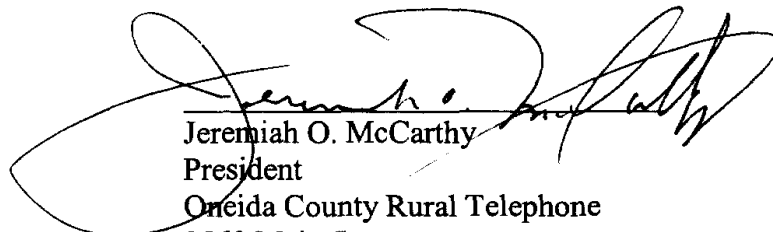
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¹ The Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunication Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-128, Report and Order, (2003) (Order).

**PAY TELEPHONE COMPLETING CARRIER CERTIFICATION
OF ONEIDA COUNTY RURAL TELEPHONE COMPANY**

1. My name is Jeremiah O. McCarthy. I currently serve as the President of Oneida County Rural Telephone Company (OCRT), a provider of local exchange telecommunications services as an Independent Local Exchange Carrier in the state of New York. In this capacity, I have become familiar with the network operations of OCRT and its practices associated with the completion of calls originated from Pay Telephones.
2. OCRT is not a Completing Carrier as defined by Commission in 47 CFR § 64.1300.
3. OCRT's provision of operator services for the completion of local calls from pay telephones is handled by Verizon through a contractual arrangement.
4. OCRT has confirmed with Verizon that any calls processed by Verizon are included in the respective call tracking systems and compensation remittance process of Verizon.
5. OCRT does not currently provide a coinless access code service.
6. OCRT does not currently provide a subscriber toll-free service.
7. In consideration of the aforementioned facts, OCRT is not subject to the compensation or reporting requirements related to the Commission's Report and Order¹ and associated revisions to 47 CFR Sections 64.1300, 64.1310, and 64.1320.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on June 28, 2004.


Jeremiah O. McCarthy
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¹ *The Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunication Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-128, Report and Order, (2003) (Order).*